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SUBJECT: CALL ON GOVERNOR SCRANTON BY FRG AMBASSADOR VON  
WECHMAR

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1. THE FRG'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UN, AMBASSADOR  
BARON RUEDIGER VON WECHMAR CALLED ON GOVERNOR SCRANTON  
AUGUST 3 AT VON WECHMAR'S REQUEST. VON WECHMAR WANTED  
MAINLY TO DISCUSS AND SEEK OUR SUPPORT FOR FRG INITIATIVES  
ON TERRORISM AND HUMAN RIGHTS AT FORTHCOMING UNGA. VON  
WECHMAR SAID DETAILS OF INITIATIVES WERE TAKING SHAPE AND  
THAT FRG KEEPING EC-9 INFORMED. VON WECHMAR EXPLAINED THAT  
FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER WOULD USE HIS SPEECH IN UNGA  
GENERAL DEBATE TO INTRODUCE THESE INITIATIVES.

2. VON WECHMAR SAID THAT AN INITIATIVE ON TERRORISM WOULD  
RELATE SPECIFICALLY TO HOSTAGES AND WOULD PROBABLY BE INSCRIBED  
AS A SEPARATE AGENDA POINT. THE RESOLUTION WOULD EMPHASIZE  
THAT RECEIVING STATES SHOULD EITHER EXTRADITE OR PROSECUTE  
KIDNAPPERS OF HOSTAGES EXPEDITIOUSLY. IT WOULD PROBABLY INCLUDE  
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AS A BARGAINING POINT A CALL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AN

INTERNATIONAL POLICE FORCE AGAINST TERRORISM. VON WECHMAR BELIEVED THAT DEBATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL POLICE FORCE WOULD RAISE QUESTIONS AS TO SOVEREIGNTY AND FORCE COMPOSITION. HE INDICATED THAT FRG WOULD BE WILLING TO YIELD ON THIS PROPOSAL WITH A VIEW MAINTAINING INCLUSION OF THE PART ON HOSTAGES. VON WECHMAR DID NOT EXPECT THIS RESOLUTION NECESSARILY TO PASS IN 1976 BUT HE THOUGHT IT IMPORTANT TO ATTRACT AS MUCH SUPPORT AS POSSIBLE THIS YEAR WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING ADOPTION AT SOME SUBSEQUENT SESSION.

3. VON WECHMAR SAID THAT GENSCHER ALSO WOULD PROPOSE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL COURT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. THIS INITIATIVE WOULD PROBABLY NOT HAVE THE FORM OF A RESOLUTION BUT WOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH A VIEW TO INVITING COMMENTS ON IT AT THE 32ND SESSION OF THE UNGA. HERE TOO, VON WECHMAR FORESAW RECOURSE BY OPPONENTS OF THE PROPOSAL TO ARTICLE 2, PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE CHARTER AS IT RELATES TO INTERVENTION INTO MATTERS WITHIN THE DOMESTIC JURISDICTION OF A STATE.

4. A THIRD PART OF GENSCHER'S SPEECH, ACCORDING TO VON WECHMAR, WOULD DEPLORE RECENT SHOOTINGS ALONG THE BORDER OF THE TWO GERMANIES. VON WECHMAR FORESAW THIS LEADING TO A RIGHT OF REPLY BY THE EAST GERMANS AND A SUBSEQUENT RIGHT OF REPLY TO REPLY BY THE FRG.

5. VON WECHMAR CONSIDERED THAT SINCE THE FRG WOULD HAVE THIRD COMMITTEE CHAIRMANSHIP, THE BEST PLACE FOR CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION ON HOSTAGES WOULD BE THE SIXTH COMMITTEE (LEGAL AFFAIRS).

6. VON WECHMAR ALSO RAISED FIFTH COMMITTEE BUSINESS. VON WECHMAR SUGGESTED THAT THE US AND THE FRG INFORM EACH OTHER OF WHAT THEY WANTED TO DO ABOUT FILLING PROMINENT UN POSTS. HE SAID THAT THE FRG HAD PUT FORWARD CANDIDATES FOR THE D-2 ECONOMIC POSITION HELD BY MOSAK IN THE CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AS WELL AS FOR THE UNICEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION HELD BY AMBASSADOR LABOUISSSE. VON WECHMAR CONTINUED THAT THE FRG WAS VERY BADLY UNDER-

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REPRESENTED IN SENIOR UN POSITIONS.

7. GOVERNOR SCRANTON EXPRESSED MUCH INTEREST IN THE FRG'S INITIATIVES ON HOSTAGES AND A HUMAN RIGHTS COURT AS WELL AS IN THE FACT THAT GENSCHER WOULD RAISE THE BORDER INCIDENTS. SCRANTON STRESSED THAT, WHEN IN THE HAGUE RECENTLY, NETHERLANDS OFFICIALS HAD SHOWN GREAT INTEREST IN A POSSIBLE FRG INITIATIVE ON TERRORISM. WITH REGARD TO

STAFFING OF SENIOR UN POSITIONS, SCRANTON AND AMBASSADOR  
BENNETT POINTED OUT THAT UNICEF WAS THE UN ACTIVITY  
ENJOYING BROADEST PUBLIC SUPPORT IN THE UNITED STATES AND  
THAT THE UNITED STATES CONSIDERED THIS POSITION AS ONE WHICH  
SHOULD BE FILLED BY AN AMERICAN. BENNETT ALSO COMMENTED THAT  
WE EXPECTED MOSAK TO BE REPLACED BY AN AMERICAN AND HAD ALREADY  
TAKEN UP MATTER WITH WALDHEIM AND OTHER SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS.  
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